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- 1. MISSION HAS LEARNED FROM AUSTRALIAN (LANDALE) AND CANADIAN (CHANDLER) REPS THAT DURING AUGUST 15 AFTERNOON PLENARY MEETING OF CONFERENCE USSR DEL INTERVENED AND REFERRED TO USG AS PRACTICING FORMS OF RACISM AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION AGAINST BLACKS, PUERTO RICANS AND AMERICAN INDIANS. BOTH REPS MAINTAINED THAT COMMENTS WERE RESTRAINED AND NO DIFFERENT FROM PREVIOUS ATTACKS AGAINST THE U.S. BY SOVIETS.
- 2. NIGERIAN AMBASSADOR HARRIMAN INTERVENED DURING DEBATE TO DISCUSS THE SOUTH AFRICAN SITUATION. ACCORDING TO MISSION SOURCES, HARRIMAN SPOKE ABOUT SAG ECONOMIC TIES WITH THE WEST AND SINGLED OUT THE U.S., THE U.K., THE FRG, FRANCE AND SWITZERLAND AS BEING THE "WORST LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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OFFENDERS." AUSTRALIAN ASSUMED THAT "WORST OFFENDERS" REFERRED TO THOSE COUNTRIES WITH THE HIGHEST VOLUME OF TRADE WITH SAG AND FROM FRANCE ALLEGEDLY INCLUDES SOME NUCLEAR WEAPONS.

3. THE SUDANESE DELEGATE RECALLED RES 3379 (Z/R) AND THE NAM CONFERENCE IN BELGRADE AND URGED THE PARTICIPANTS TO

KEEP THIS DOCUMENT IN MIND AND CONSIDER ADOPTING A SIMILAR RES DURING WORLD CONFERENCE. THIS SUGGESTION WAS NOT ECHOED BY ANY DELEGATIONS WHO SPOKE AFTER SUDANESE.

4. REMAINDER OF MEETING WAS ACCORDING TO AUSTRALIAN AND CANADIAN REPS DULL AND BORING. SORENSON

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